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As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

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INVENTORSHIP IDENTIFICATION

WARNING: If the inventors are each not the inventors of all the claims an explanation of the facts, including the ownership of all the claims at the time the last claimed invention was made, should be submitted.

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name, I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

TITLE OF INVENTION

CONTAINER AND COUPLING SYSTEM FOR TRANSFERRING GRANULAR AND OTHER MATERIALS

SPECIFICATION IDENTIFICATION

the specification of which:

(a) X is attached hereto.

(b) _____ was filed on _____ as _____ Serial No: _____
 or _____ Express Mail No. _____, as Serial No. _____ not yet known
 and was amended on _____ (if applicable).

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(c) X was described and claimed in PCT International Application No. PCT/CR2002/000004 filed on June 6, 2002 and as amended under PCT Article 19 on (if any).

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF REVIEW OF PAPERS AND DUTY OF CANDOR

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the patentability of the invention claimed in this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations. § 1.56(a). Rule 1.63(b)(3)

 In compliance with this duty there is attached an information disclosure statement. 37 CFR 1.97

PRIORITY CLAIM

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, § 119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or of any PCT international application(s) designating at least one country other than the United States of America listed below and have also identified below any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or any PCT international application(s) designating at least one country other than the United States of America filed by me on the same subject matter having a filing date before that of the application(s) of which priority is claimed.

(d) no such applications have been filed.

(e) X such applications have been filed as follows:

NOTE: Where item (c) is entered above and the International Application which designated the U.S. claimed priority check item (e), enter the details below and make the priority claim.

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COUNTRY	APPLICATION NUMBER	DATE OF FILING (month, date, year)	PRIORITY CLAIMED UNDER 37 USC 119
Costa Rica	PCT/CR2002/000004	June 6, 2002	<u>X</u> YES <u> </u> NO
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As a named inventor, I hereby appoint the following attorney(s) and/or agent(s) to prosecute this application and transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith.

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DECLARATION

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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